

REMARKS

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed on March 8, 2005, claim 3 is canceled and claims 1, 2, 8, 9, 16, 17, 18, 20, and 21 are amended. The applicant hereby respectfully requests that the patent application be reconsidered.

An item-by-item response to Examiner's objections or rejections is provided in the followings:

1. *Allowable Subject Matter*

The Examiner instructs that claim 3 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Specifically, the Examiner instructs that the prior art does not teach a video camera detects a user's presence and also the video camera updates the forwarding destination numbers in a database.

In response to Examiner's instructions, claim 3 is canceled and claims 1, 2, 8, 9, 16, 17, 18, 20, and 21 are amended with a limitation of "video camera" now added. The amended claims are allowable according to the Examiner's instructions.

2. *Rejection of Claims Under 35 USC 103(a):*

The Examiner rejects claims 2-6, 10-14, 16 to 22 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as the inventions directed by these claims are unpatentable over Rogers (US 5946386) and in view of Grimes et al (US 5428663). The Examiner further rejects claim 1 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rogers and in view of Grimes et al. and further in view of Junkin (US 6493717) and further in view of Yamaguchi (US 6499055)

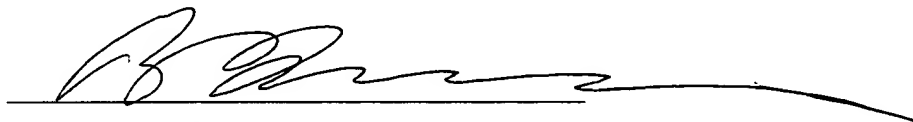
In response to the rejections, claim 3 is canceled and claims 1, 2, 8, 9, 16, 17, 18, 20, and 21 are amended with additional limitation of "video camera" added.

The response is by no means an admission that the inventions as disclosed in the original claims are obvious over the cited prior art references. The amendment made to claims 1, 2, 8, 9, 16, 17, 18, 20, and 21 is only for the purpose of issuing the allowable inventions earlier and the Applicant intend to file Continuous Prosecution Application (CPA) to further prosecute these original claims later after the amended claims are allowed.

With the canceled and amended claims and the reasons provided above, the applicant hereby respectfully requests that Examiner's objections and rejections under 35 USC § 103 be withdrawn and the present application be allowed.

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